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Background of the Invention

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Summary of the Invention

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Brief Description of the Drawings

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The invention is illustrated below using the following examples, and the accompanying drawing figures, in which:

FIG. 1 is a graph showing the ratio of organic matter to total mass for a coral sample treated according to the invention, and two comparative samples;

FIG. 2 is a graph showing the ratio of residual protein to total mass for a coral sample treated according to the invention, and two comparative samples; and

FIG. 3 is a graph of proliferation of bone cells vs. time on a coral sample treated according to the invention, and comparative samples.